



Association for Radiologic & Imaging Nursing (ARIN) Historical Report 2012-2013

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New Orleans, LA

Committed to Advancing Radiologic & Imaging Nursing

MEMBERSHIP

The current membership as of March 19, 2013, is 1965 active members, including 13 international members. Membership cards are now available electronically for printing and printed cards are available on request.

ARIN BOARD OF DIRECTORS

ARIN Board of Directors for 2012-2013 was installed at the annual membership meeting on March 27, 2012:

President:	Christy E. Lee, MSN, APRN-BC, CRN
President Elect:	Beth Ann Hackett, MSN, APRN-BC, CRN
Immediate Past President:	Linda McDonald, MSN, RN, CRN
Secretary:	Katherine Duncan, BA, RN, CRN
Treasurer:	Brenda Wickersham, MAV, RN, CRN
Board Member:	Emily Timmreck, MSN, RN, ACNP-BC
Board Member:	Chris Cavanaugh, BSN, RN, CRNI, VA-BC
Board Member:	Greg Laukhuf, RN-BC, CRN, NE-BC

In 2012, the ARIN Board conducted a membership survey asking members to identify the areas ARIN should focus to best address member needs. The results indicated a need for more and varied educational opportunities such as the webinars. Following the Nursing Organization Alliance Fall Summit and Leadership Academy, the Board agreed to focus attention on developing leadership and has hosted its first Leadership Development Workshop in New Orleans this convention.

After lengthy discussion, the Board has decided to create two director positions – Director of Leadership Development and Director of Education. Incoming Board Member, Kathy Baker, MBA, BSN, RN, CCRN, CNRN, NE-BC has been identified as having the qualifications to serve as the Director of Leadership. Brenda Boone, PhD, RN, elected to the Nominating Committee was identified as an excellent choice for the Director of Education and will take the Board position vacated by the newly elected President-Elect Greg Laukhuf.

The Board has paid particular attention this year to fiscal concerns and looks for ways to keep costs to members affordable; offering quality services while avoiding any unnecessary expense. Several liaison relationships have been reevaluated for the return on investment. (See ARIN's Liaison Relationships for more information on these changes.)

With the growth of American Nurses Credentialing (ANCC) "Magnet" status of healthcare organizations recognizing quality patient care, nursing excellence and innovation in professional nursing practice, the ARIN Board will begin targeting the Chief Nursing Officers of Magnet facilities to offer the benefits of ARIN membership for their magnet radiology nursing staffs. Magnet recognition considers certification in a specialty as a key to professional development and the Certified Radiology Nurse (CRN) distinction is a key benefit that ARIN can help provide.

In 2011 and 2012, ARIN participated heavily with the Society of Interventional Radiology (SIR) and the Association of periOperative Nurses (AORN) in discussion and preparation of the SIR/ARIN/AORN "Joint Practice Guidelines for Sterile Technique during Vascular and Interventional Radiology Procedures". These guidelines are exhaustive and establish a standard of care for our industry. This was published in the ARIN *Journal of Radiology Nursing (JRN)* December 2012 issue.

The Board met for monthly conference calls in the months that face-to-face board meetings were not scheduled as well as maintained regular email discussions as issues were presented.

ARIN NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL MEETINGS

2012 ARIN Annual Convention:	March 25-28, 2012 with preconvention workshops on March 24, 2012 in San Francisco, CA with 374 attendees.
2012 ARIN Fall Symposium:	September 29-30, 2012 in Pittsburgh, PA with 152 attendees.

ARIN IMAGING NURSE REVIEW COURSE

The ARIN Imaging Nurse Review Course was conducted at the 2012 Annual Convention with 52 attendees and at the 2012 Fall Symposium with 39 attendees. Master Faculty includes: Kathy Scheffer, MN, RN, CRN, Kathy Pittman, BSN, RN, HN-BC, CRN and Ellen Arslan, RNC, CRN, VA-BC.

In 2012-2013, the ARIN Imaging Nurse Review Course was contracted to the following sponsoring facilities:

- April 21-22, 2012 in Houston, TX for MD Anderson Medical Center
- June 2-3, 2012 in Lebanon, NH for Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center
- November 17-18, 2012 in Tacoma, WA for the Northwest Chapter ARIN (NWARIN)

The Imaging Review Course has been recorded and modules will be available for purchase on the ARIN website beginning April 18, 2013.

ARIN MEMBER RECOGNITION

2012 ARIN Awards and Scholarships awarded are:

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| • Radiology Nurse of the Year Award: | Pauline Lentowski, MSN, RN, CRN |
| • Charlotte Godwin Scholarship: | Yu-Fan Ma, RN |
| • Dorothy Budnek Scholarship: | Sara Hawkins, MSN, RN, CRN |
| • Helen Malenock Award: | The award was presented and the recipient remains anonymous. |
| • CRN Scholarship: | Mary Ann Rogers, RN |
| • Poster Award: | To be announced at 2013 Annual Membership Meeting |
| • Chapter of the Year Award: | Great Lakes Chapter of the Association for Radiologic & Imaging Nursing |
| • Linda Strangio Editor's Award: | Sandra Schwaner, MSN, RN, ACNP-BC & William L. McGee III, RN, ADN for "Care of the Renal Patient in Radiology" JRN (Vol.31 #4, pp.120-129) |
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ARIN PUBLICATIONS *(For details on the publications see the Annual Reports.)*

Core Curriculum for Radiologic and Imaging Nursing

The third edition is currently in a final editing phase and will be published in 2013. Kathleen Gross, MSN, RN-BC, CRN is the *Core* editor.

Journal of Radiology Nursing

Kathleen Gross is the editor of the *Journal of Radiology Nursing (JRN)* and continues to produce an outstanding publication for Radiologic and Imaging Nurses. The website www.radiologynursing.org has been updated and is the portal for the *Journal of Radiology Nursing*. The *Journal* is now available as a smartphone app. The *JRN* Editorial Board meets annually and awards the Linda Strangio Editor's Award to the outstanding publication for the year.

Vision Newsletter

Sharon Lehmann, MS, ACNS-BC continues to serve at the *Vision* Editor. *Vision* is published electronically quarterly and is dedicated to keeping the ARIN members informed of practice updates, educational offerings, and activities of ARIN. Archived issues of the *Vision* newsletter are available in the members' only section of the website.

Radiology Nursing: Scope and Standards of Practice

The ARIN Board, with assistance from the American Nurses Association (ANA), has meticulously revised the *Radiologic and Imaging Nursing: Scope and Standards of Practice* to incorporate the definitions, competencies, roles and responsibilities of the Radiologic and Imaging Nurse as well as the Advanced Practice Nurse. This is a joint publication of ANA and ARIN, currently in production, and should be available on the ARIN and ANA websites very soon.

The following ARIN publications are available for purchase:

- *Core Curriculum for Radiologic and Imaging Nursing*, 2nd Edition (2008) — also available in CD ROM format.
- *Orientation Manual for Radiologic and Imaging Nursing* (2008) — also available in CD ROM format

ARIN BYLAWS AND ARIN POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

In early 2013, the ARIN Board reviewed and revised ARIN Policy and Procedure and included changing all voting to electronic only as well as including job descriptions for two Board positions. Two of the three elected at large board members will work in the roles of Director of Education and Director of Leadership Development. Each job description includes objectives and preferred qualifications.

The ARIN Bylaws and ARIN Policies and Procedures are available online at www.arinursing.org.

ARIN CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINES & POSITION STATEMENTS

The ARIN Board of Directors approved support of the following:

- Americans for Nursing Shortage Relief (ANSR) Consensus Document (*See Public Policy Committee Report on details of the many initiatives this supported.*)
- Coalition for Health Funding in support of FY 2014 funding for discretionary health programs
- Continued support of the Nurses Health Studies.
- NGNA Position Statement on Mandatory Geriatric Nursing Education

All ARIN clinical practice guidelines and position statements are available in the practice guidelines section of www.arinursing.org.

ARIN WEBINARS

In 2012-2013, ARIN has presented the following radiology specific continuing education webinars:

May 29, 2012	<i>Chronic Cerebro-Spinal Venous Insufficiency: An Overview</i>
July 24, 2012	<i>The Impact of GFR (Glomerular Filtration Rate) in Radiology</i>
September 6, 2012	<i>Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: A General Overview and its Effects on Radiology</i>
December 6, 2012	<i>Anaphylaxis: What is Going On?</i>
January 23, 2013	<i>Cultural Competence vs. Cultural Humility</i>
March 26, 2013	<i>Challenging Cases in IR: An RN & RT Perspective</i>

ARIN continues to offer archived recorded sessions online.

RADIOLOGY NURSES DAY

April 12th was the official Radiology Nurse's Day. This year we produced an exceptional new poster for purchase by our members to honor their colleagues. Copies of the poster are available online at www.arinursing.org.

ARIN LISTSERVER

The listserver has been very active this past year. Members use this venue to dialogue on procedures, policies, standards of care, shortages, and solutions to problems. For more information or to sign up, look for the Listserver section on the website.

ARIN CHAPTERS

In 2012, the Lone Star Chapter received their charter and joined the list of active ARIN Chapters. This addition along with several mergers will bring the number of local ARIN chapters to 18:

- **Golden Gate** (California)
- **Central Carolinas** (North Carolina)
- **Grand Canyon State** (Arizona)
- **New England** (Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island & Vermont)
- **Northwest** (Washington, Idaho & Oregon)
- **Empire State** (New York)
- **Greater Pittsburgh** (Pennsylvania)
- **Delaware**
- **Great Lakes** (Indiana, Illinois, Michigan & Wisconsin)
- **Mid-Hudson** (New York)
- **Philadelphia** (Pennsylvania)
- **Blue Ridge** (Virginia)
- **Texas Gulf Coast**
- **Ohio Radiological**
- **Maine**
- **Greater Tampa Bay** (Florida)
- **Southern California**
- **North Texas Lone Star**

Our chapters have had notable contributions to radiologic and imaging nursing hosting educational events, webinars and providing significant networking opportunities. Additionally, the Northwest Chapter hosted an Imaging Nurse Review Course in 2012. Chapters will be routinely asked to contribute to the *Vision* newsletter to highlight their activities and accomplishments.

At the 2011 Convention, international members were invited to a chapters' event with the goal of assisting with future organizing. Cathy Brown, RN, CRN our international representative on the Chapters Committee, has been soliciting interest from international ARIN members on forming an international chapter.

ARIN COMMITTEES AND TASK FORCES *(For details on the activities of these groups see the Annual Reports.)*

Awards/Scholarship Committee: Through aggressive promotion, all awards and scholarships had nominations for presentation at the 2013 Annual Membership Meeting.

Chapters Committee: The Chapters Committee meets regularly by conference call and has worked to strengthen the materials and assistance available for ARIN members to develop local chapters.

Nominating Committee: The Nominating Committee solicited members to run for President Elect, Treasurer, Board Member, and Nominating Committee. Voting was performed electronically. The new officers will be installed at the 2013 Membership Meeting:

President Elect (one year term):	Greg Laukhuf, RN-BC, CRN, NE-BC
Secretary (two year term):	Katherine Duncan, BA, RN, CRN (second term)
Board Member (three year term):	Kathleen Baker, MBA, BSN, RN, CCRN, CNRN, NE-BC
Nominating Committee (two year term):	Brenda Boone, PhD, RN

Sponsorship Committee Report: In 2012, the ARIN Board initiated this committee with a goal of developing relationships with companies that can assist ARIN with sponsorship of educational opportunities such as the conferences and webinars. At the 2012 Fall Symposium in Pittsburgh, ARIN had support from 10 exhibitors.

Program Planning Committee: The ARIN Board changed the name of the Convention Planning Committee to Program Planning Committee and incorporated the Fall Symposium into this effort. This change allows for consistency in planning these annual educational events. Committee members are appointed to a two year term. The committee meets for monthly conference calls and has successfully developed the ARIN Annual Convention in San Francisco, March 2012, Fall Symposium in Pittsburgh, PA, September 2012 and the current Annual Convention in New Orleans, LA, April 2013. The 2013 Fall Symposium will be held in Cincinnati, OH, September and the 2014 Annual Convention will be in San Diego, CA.

Competency/Orientation Task Force: Chris Cavanaugh has taken on the leadership of this effort to refine the materials with a goal of July 2013 for updates.

Public Policy Representatives: ARIN is represented by Ronald Wardrobe, RN, CRN and Kieley Brinks, MBA, BSN, RN. These appointments are two year terms to review public policy related initiatives that ARIN receives and make recommendations to the Board for follow up.

Past Presidents' Council: ARIN's Past Presidents met at the 2012 Annual Convention in San Francisco and participated in discussions with the ARIN Board.

Webinar Committee: The Webinar Committee has continued to meet and work on providing quality webinars which are provided at a discount to ARIN members. Mike Wilson, MBA, BSN, RN, Netti Russi, RN, CRN, and Karen Marshall, BSN, RN are the co-chairs. In the past year, six webinars were held and the 2013 goal is to offer six with emphasis on sponsorship and chapter involvement.

Website Committee: The Website Editor, Tabatha Fairchild, RN, continues to meet with the Website Committee monthly to work on streamlining and improving the website offerings.

RADIOLOGICAL NURSES CERTIFICATION BOARD (RNCB) *(For details on the activities of the RNCB see the Annual Reports.)*

The Certified Radiology Nurse (CRN) exam was administered three times in the past year-March, May, and October. The RNCB reported that 165 people sat for the exam and approval of 115 nurses for recertification. Nurses that receive CRN certification are proudly listed in *Vision*.

ARIN'S LIAISON RELATIONSHIPS *(For details on the activities of these groups see the Annual Reports.)*

Association for Medical Imaging Management (AHRA): Linda McDonald attended the AHRA annual meeting in August 2012 as the ARIN representative. This association is multidiscipline and understands the critical role of radiologic and imaging nursing.

American Nurses Association (ANA): The ARIN Board has elected to join the American Nurses Association as an Associate Member. This will benefit members and keep ARIN current with national nursing initiatives. More information on this new member benefit will follow on the website and the *Vision* newsletter soon.

American College of Radiology (ACR): The Board agreed to consider the ACR a valuable resource for our members.

American Stroke Association (ASA): Representation to this association is being reevaluated and at this time is suspended.

Association of Vascular and Interventional Radiographers (AVIR): This organization meets annually at the same time and location as ARIN Spring Conventions in coordination with SIR's annual meetings. Discussion has been initiated on further collaboration.

Nursing Organizations Alliance (The Alliance): Christy Lee, Beth Hackett, and Karen Green attended the Alliance Fall Summit in November 2012.

Nursing Alliance Leadership Academy (NALA): Chris Cavanaugh, Beth Hackett and Greg Laukhuf attended the NALA meeting in August 2012.

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